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Application No.: 10/564,761)	Group Art Unit: 3721
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Filed: January 17, 2006)	Examiner: Lindsay M. Low
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For: CYLINDRICAL CONTACT ARM)	
HAVING A TAPERED GUIDE)	
SECTION IN A POWER-DRIVEN)	
NAILING MACHINE (As Amended))	

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form-1449. In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of the foreign patents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449 are provided.

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Each document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in an Office

Action issued on November 1, 2007 in corresponding Japanese application 2003-276431, a copy of which is enclosed. In lieu of a statement of relevance or translation of non-English

documents, an English language copy of the Office Action citing these documents and setting forth the relevance thereof is also enclosed.

Japanese Patent No. 2002-337066, which is cited in the enclosed Japanese Office Action, was previously disclosed in this application in the Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 filed on January 17, 2006, and thus is not listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

Applicants respectfully request that these items be considered by the Examiner, and that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of these references by initialing and returning copies of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the next official action.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, there is hereby provided certain information which the Examiner may consider material to the examination of the subject U.S. patent application. It is requested that the Examiner make this information of record if it is deemed material to the examination of the application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

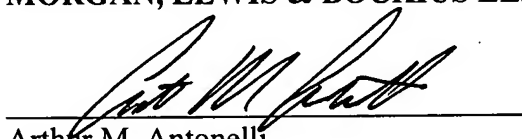
Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the claims of the present application.

It is believed that a fee of \$180 is due under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) with the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement. Please charge this fee and any other fee required in connection with this submission to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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